SOUND TRANSIT STAFF REPORT

MOTION NO. M2005-90 – Revised Citizen Oversight Panel Appointments

Meeting:	Date:	Type of Action:	Staff Contact:	Phone:
Board	8/11/05	Discussion/Possible Action	Marcia Walker,	(206) 398-5015
			Board Administrator	,

PROPOSED ACTION

To appoint two new members to the Citizen Oversight Panel for a term of four years beginning August 2005 and expiring August 2009.

KEY FEATURES of PROPOSED ACTION

- Board appointment of a Citizen Oversight Panel member to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Rea Hagan. Ms. Hagan represented the Pierce County subarea.
- Board appointment of a Citizen Oversight Panel member to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Mary McCumber.

DESCRIPTION and BACKGROUND

The Board created a Citizen Oversight Panel in 1996 to monitor Sound Transit's performance in carrying out its commitments under Sound Move. The Panel consists of fifteen volunteer members, of whom at least two shall live or work in each of the five subareas of the Sound Transit District. When a vacancy arises on the panel, every attempt is made to fill it with an individual whose skills, experience and demographic characteristics maintain the panel's geographic balance and diversity.

With Ms. Hagan's resignation, the Pierce County subarea is presently under-represented by the requisite minimum number of members. The Sound Transit Board and current members of the Citizen Oversight Panel have been actively recruiting candidates to represent the Pierce County subarea since May. Outreach efforts have included press releases, notification of community leaders, and posting on Sound Transit's website.

Ms. Cumber represented the North King County subarea; however, that vacancy can be filled by a qualified applicant from any part of the Sound Transit District, because there are two North King County subarea representatives currently serving on the Panel.

CONSEQUENCES of DELAY

An additional vacancy has recently been created with the resignation of Jessyn Schor and the Panel is currently operating with twelve members, instead of the required fifteen. The appointment of two members will leave one remaining vacancy. A recruiting effort to fill the remaining vacancy will begin immediately.

LEGAL REVIEW

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Motion:

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that Thomas Ryan and Donald Green to the Citizen Oversight Panel for a term of four years beginning August 2005 and expiring August 2009.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular

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meeting thereof held on August 25, 2005.

ATTEST:

Marcia Walker

Board Administrator